



ADVANCED LAW ENFORCEMENT RAPID RESPONSE TRAINING: TRAIN-THE-TRAINER

In the aftermath of the Columbine High School shootings and the continued threat of terrorism, law enforcement officials across the nation acknowledged the need for a paradigm shift in containment tactics and policies to more effectively deal with an active shooter. Emergency deployment protocols were developed recognizing the need to empower the first responders to make immediate tactical decisions to stop the ongoing violence and save lives. The recent tragic deaths at Virginia Tech underscore the reality that active shooter incidents can occur anywhere as well as the importance for more of Virginia's law enforcement officers to be trained in the current basic tactics to safely and effectively respond to and stop an active shooter. The ALERT course offered by Texas Engineering Extension Service is **the only active shooter training program approved by the Department of Homeland Security.**

Successful graduates of the Train-the-Trainer (TTT) program will be certified to teach the 16-hour Rapid Response Training course which comprises the first two days of the TTT session. More importantly, they will learn the skills necessary to conduct effective training within their agency and region for those emergency responders who arrive first during an active shooter incident.

Date: August 27-31, 2007

Location: Lynchburg, Virginia

The Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) invites your agency's law enforcement officers to apply for this valuable **no cost** training. The course is funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance; **reimbursement of all travel expenses will be provided by DCJS.** Partial In-service Credit will be available. Interested applicants, who meet all course prerequisites, must complete the Application Form on the reverse and return it no later than August 6, 2007, to Sam Hoffman via e-mail at sam.hoffman@dcjs.virginia.gov or by fax to (804) 692-0948.